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METHODS FOR PREPARING COATED DRUG PARTICLES AND PHARMACEUTICAL FORMULATIONS THEREOF

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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated December 3, 2004, please consider the following Remarks which are filed along with a request for continued examination (RCE):

A full listing of pending claims (without any amendments) appears on pages 2-8. Remarks begin on pages 9.